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**Patent Application**

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**Title:** Method of Determining the Helix Angle of a Helical Formation for a Conduit

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Dear Sir:

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97, the applicants bring to the attention of the Office the referenced listed on the attached USPTO Form PTO/SB/08.

Some of these references might be material to the examination of this patent application, but the applicants do not admit that any of these references is "prior art" or material to the patentability of the present invention.

Furthermore, the filing of this information disclosure statement should not be construed as a representation that a search has or has not been made.

The applicants respectfully request that these references be considered by the Office and that the Office acknowledge consideration of these references.

Respectfully,  
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